

**Michigan Groundwater Conservation Advisory Council
Meeting Summary
Of
June 8, 2007
At the Annex of the Drummond Island Resort & Conference Center
33494 S Maxton Road
Drummond Island, Michigan**

Council Members

Jon Allan	Sumedh Bahl
Jim Cleland	James Clift
Jon Coleman	Michael Gregg
Kurt Heise	Craig Hoffman
Rod Mersino	Thomas Newhof
Michael Newman	Bill Pearson
Scott Piggott	Dr. Paul Seelbach

Guests

Jeremiah Asher – MSU	Ellen Benoit - EUP Reg Planning
Gary Boersen – Ledy	Joyce Dunkin – Limno
Rick Dunkin – Weston Solutions	Patricia Fouchey - MDNR
Fred Goldberg - MMBJ Law	Dave Hamilton MDEQ - LWMD
Shaw Lacy - U of M	Jim Nicholas - USGS
Frank Ruswick - MDEQ	Gene Smary - WNJ
Troy Zorn - MDNR	

Introductions / Meeting Logistics

From 9:10 to 3:30 the Groundwater Conservation Advisory Council met in the Annex Room of the Drummond Island Resort and Conference Center. Chair Jon Allen thanked Craig Hoffman for hosting the meeting. Appreciated the area being free of black flies but with lots of deer. What a drive!

Thanks to the Michigan Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship Program for providing lunch and to the Drummond Island Resort and Conference Center for providing the dining space.

EO 2007-8

Due to Executive Order 2007-8 on July 15, 2007, the GWCAC will officially be dissolved.

Last Wednesday the DEQ & DNR Directors spoke with Senator Patty Bircholtz about EO 2007-8. The Directors told Senator Bircholtz that not all of the work the Council would like to have done would be. Senator Bircholtz was glad to hear that the Department will work with interested parties.

House Testimony

The GWCAC Chairman gave a presentation to the House Tourism, Outdoor Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee chaired by Joel Shelton on June 5, 2007. Basically the same presentation as given the Senate Natural Resource Committee on May 9 was presented to the House. The PowerPoint presentation is available on the GWCAC website (<http://www.michigan.gov/dnrgwcac>) under GWCAC Senate Testimony May 8, 2007.

Final Report to the Legislature

From 10:00 until noon and from 1:30 till 3:30 a discussion on the final report was held.

On behalf of the Council Members and Chairs, Jon Allan said thanks to Jim Nicholas for writing the report.

The report needs to be to the Legislation by July 1. Jim Nicholas said he needs to get the report to the printers no later than June 22.

Chairman Jon Allan congratulated the council members for what has been accomplished.

Lunch

From 12:20 to 1:00 lunch was served in the Bayside Dining Room overlooking Potagannissing Bay thanks to the Michigan Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship Program.

Fish Factors Grouped

Paul Seelbach provided PowerPoint "fish factors grouped". The slides were displayed and discussed.

Next Meeting

Tuesday July 10 from 10:00 till 3:00 pm in Lansing area.